

Abstract of the Disclosure

A wet-laid nonwoven reinforcing mat includes a base web having about 10 to about 80 percent by weight glass fibers, about 20 to about 90 percent by weight polyethylene terephthalate fibers and polyvinyl alcohol in an amount of about 5 to about 35 percent of the combined weight of the glass fibers and the polyethylene terephthalate fibers. The reinforcing mat also includes a secondary binder in an amount of about 10 to about 30 percent of the total weight of the base web.